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RUTH CHATTERTON, ACTRESS, SPEAKS AT JWF WOMEN'S GIFTS LUNCHEON



JWF Fundraisers Talk Over Prospects

Maurel Rothbaum (on left, co-chairman of the Men's Division Special Gifts committee of the JWF), talks over prospects for the group's fund-raising meeting with associate chairmen Sam Kroot (center) and Manuel I. Leve.

It was announced that the meeting, originally set for May 5, will be held at a later date.

Rabbi Irving Miller, Zionist Leader, To Speak at Banquet Here Monday

Preparations were completed this week for the visit here next Monday of Rabbi Irving Miller, president of the Zionist Organization of America, and former president of the American Jewish Congress.

Rabbi Miller will address a banquet in his honor at 6:30 p. m. Monday at the Beth El vestry. The banquet is open to the public, and reservations may still be made by calling Lewis Levy at HI 7568.

Levy, program chairman, announced that Rabbi Miller will address a luncheon meeting of the board of the Indianapolis Zionist District at noon at Miller's Restaurant, 135 W. Market St.

Rabbi Miller is considered one of the foremost orators in the United States. His inside knowledge of developments in Israel, and in Zionist circles in the U.S. and throughout the world, make him one of the best informed Jewish leaders of the day. His talk is expected to outline the current situation of world Jewry, and Israel, and to trace the tasks and future needs of the Jewish community.

Rabbi Miller will make another appearance in Indiana the night before his reception here. He will address the annual conference of the Ohio Valley Zionist Region in Fort Wayne on Sunday night.

A large delegation of local Zionists, headed by Shoolom Ettinger, a member of the national executive committee of the ZOA and former president of the Region, will attend the conference. The delegation will accompany Rabbi Miller on his trip to Indianapolis Sunday night following the close of the Fort Wayne conference.



RABBI MILLER
Firsthand Report

Noted Author to Speak To Brandeis Chapter

Miss Marie Syrkin, well-known author and lecturer, will be the principal speaker at the next meeting of the Indianapolis Chapter of the National women's Committee for Brandeis university.

The chapter will meet at 10 a. m., Thursday, Apr. 30, in the home of its president, Mrs. Charles Efroymsen.

Miss Syrkin is in charge of admissions and scholarships at Brandeis. She is also a lecturer in the field of humanities.

The chapter will also elect officers for the coming year.

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WHAT'S DOING

Monday, Apr. 27

Rabbi Miller addresses ZOA board at luncheon, noon, Miller's restaurant.

Rabbi Miller addresses ZOA banquet, 6:30 p. m., BE vestry.

Tuesday, Apr. 28

Joint meeting of JWF men's and women's "M" day chairmen, 8 p. m., home of Richard Glasser.

Wednesday, Apr. 29

Cantata and speaker at BE Men's club meeting, 8:30 p. m., BE vestry.

JWF Women's division cabinet, dessert luncheon meeting, 1:15 p. m., home of Mrs. Sam Schahet.

PROGRAM FEATURES FAMOUS FILM STAR

Ruth Chatterton, one of America's leading actresses, and Helen Benatar, French underground heroine of World War II, will share the limelight at the Special Gifts luncheon of the Women's division of the Jewish Welfare Federation campaign.

A large crowd is expected for the luncheon set for 12:30 p. m., Wednesday, May 6, at Broadmoor Country club.

Miss Chatterton will make her

first major television appearance nationally when she co-stars with Maurice Evans in her role

Men Postpone Gifts Meeting

The JWF Men's Special Gifts meeting, originally set for May 5, has been postponed because of schedule conflicts.

The time and speaker for the annual meeting will be announced in the near future, according to drive co-chairmen Lazare Goodman, Liebert Mossler, and Sam Schahet.



RUTH CHATTERTON
A Leading Actress

Joint Meeting to Select 'M' Day; Polish Plans

"M" day will be picked Tuesday.

A joint meeting of the JWF Men and Women M-day co-chairmen will be held at 8 p. m., Tuesday, Apr. 28, at the home of Richard Glasser.

Six men and four women will meet to select the date for the all-out fund-raising day on which workers will sally out to canvass homes in the drive to meet the \$600,000 JWF campaign quota.

The ten co-chairmen who will complete plans for the effort are Leo Selig, Richard Glasser, Louis Levy, Charles Efroymsen, Norman Abrams, Mrs. Harry Brodey, Mrs. Marc Frank, Mrs. Norman Abrams, and Mrs. Maurice Spaszer.

Rabbi Fruchter Cites Benefits to Community

The second in a series by Indianapolis rabbis on the Jewish Welfare Fund drive.

Again the Indianapolis Jewish Welfare Fund is starting a campaign for funds, which will support local as well as overseas needs.

Whoever witnessed the opening of the new addition to the Borinstein Home for the Aged, could see for himself what some of the money we give to the Welfare Fund can accomplish for the good of our community. For the first time in Indianapolis, the bedridden and invalid has found a Jewish nursing home with a Jewish atmosphere. This great achievement is only one phase of the manifold blessings, that our gifts to the Welfare Fund make possible.

In addition to the local benefits, our contributions have helped to provide food, clothing and shelter for untold thousands of our needy brethren everywhere, and shared in the great work of building up the new State of Israel as a haven for homeless Jews of many lands.

Let us hope that each and everyone in this community will assume his responsibility toward his people and give generously to the 1953 Welfare Fund drive. Then we shall see the fruits of our kindness in creating a better community here, and also we shall know that we have done our utmost to alleviate suffering and misery for our less fortunate brethren, everywhere.

RABBI NANDOR FRUCHTER

as the queen in "Hamlet" from 4 to 6 p. m., Sunday, Apr. 26, over WTTV, Bloomington.

WROTE BEST SELLER

Her recent book, "Homeward Borne" has been on best-seller lists across the country recently. Her rise to fame from Broadway to top-notch films, was rapid-fire. She is best known for "Tomorrow and Tomorrow," her favorite screen role; in London she made "The Constant Wife."

Miss Chatterton's stage successes include "Leave Her to Heaven," "Pygmalion," "Private Lives," and "The Little Foxes."

Mme. Benatar has just arrived for her first tour of the United States, and is making a limited number of appearances on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal.

Shortly after the French surrender to the Nazis, she helped form and became the first president of the Moroccan Refugee Aid Committee. The following year, in 1941, the Vichyites declared aiding refugees to be a criminal act, and closed the Refugee Aid office, demanding that Mme. Benatar surrender her records. The Vichyites never got them. She had hidden them.

BORN IN TANGIER

Born in the International Zone of Tangier, Morocco, she later moved with her family to Casablanca, where she soon entered the legal profession. She is a member of the bar in Paris and Morocco.

Mme. Benatar helped to prepare records on internees of Moroccan concentration camps, at the request of the French government upon liberation by the U. S. troops, and later worked for UNRRA in Algeria.

Mrs. Ebner Blatt and Mrs. Sam Schahet, co-chairmen of the Women's Division, will share the chairmanship for the luncheon.

Joan Silverstein Engaged In Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Silverstein of Atlanta, Ga., formerly of Indianapolis, announce the engagement of their daughter, Joan Faye, to Samuel J. Kravtin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Kravtin of Columbus, Ga.

The bride-to-be graduated from Shortridge High school and attended Indiana university.

The wedding will take place in the near future.

Moshe Stampfer to Be Bar Mitzvah of May 2

LAFAYETTE—Rabbi and Mrs. Theodore Stampfer announce the bar mitzvah of their son, Moshe, at 9 a.m., Saturday, May 2, at Congregation Sons of Abraham.

A reception for the bar mitzvah will be held at 7:30 p.m., Sunday, May 3, in the congregation vestry.

Out-of-town guests will include Rabbi Samuel Stampfer, a member of the faculty of the Hebrew Theological college, grandfather of the bar mitzvah; Rabbi Nathaniel Stampfer of Birmingham, Ala., uncle of the bar mitzvah.

Abe Bornstein, 56, Dies at Home

Abe Bornstein, 56, died in his home Saturday, Apr. 18.

Mr. Bornstein, after services in the Aaron Ruben funeral home, was buried Sunday in Knesses Israel cemetery.

He was a member of Beth El and Central Hebrew congregations; and also belonged to the Jewish War Veterans and the Zionist Organization of America.

Survivors include his widow, Ida, a brother, Isador, and two children, Lois and Marvin.

Josef Goldfarb to Be Bar Mitzvah of May 2

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Goldfarb announce the bar mitzvah of their son, Josef Michael, at 9 a.m., Saturday, May 2, at Central Hebrew congregation. Rabbi Nandor Fruchter and Cantor A. Portnov will officiate.

A kiddush in honor of the bar mitzvah will follow the ceremony. Friends and members of the congregation are invited.

Temple Flower Guild Holds Meeting May 14

The Temple Sisterhood Flower Guild will hold its next meeting from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Thursday, May 14, at the White Cross center.

Dr. Kraft Elected Head Jewish Social Services

Dr. Bennett Kraft was recently reelected president of the board of directors of the Jewish Social Services.

Other officers elected at a recent meeting of the board of directors were: Mrs. Bernard Kabanek, first vice-president; William Hene, second vice-president; Richard Glasser, treasurer; and Mrs. Sigmund Beck, secretary.

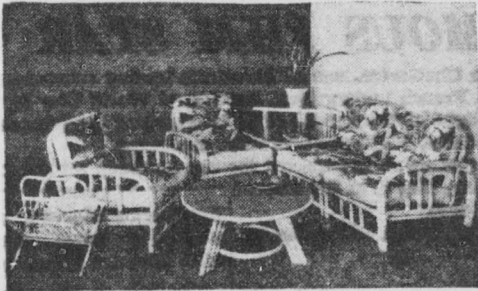
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Moses Marmalad Dies at 73

Moses Marmalad, 73, died Monday, Apr. 20 in St. Vincent's hospital.

Mr. Marmalad was buried Tuesday, in Azarus Achim cemetery following services in Aaron Ruben Funeral home.

Born in Russia, he had lived here 36 years. He was a charter member of Azarus Achim temple and the Borinstein Home for the Aged.

Paul Koratsky Dies; Father of Mrs. Goldblatt

Paul Koratsky, father of Mrs. Maurice Goldblatt, died Sunday, Apr. 12, in Springfield, Ill.

Mr. Koratsky, a member of B'rith Sholom temple in Springfield, was active for many years in temple and community affairs.



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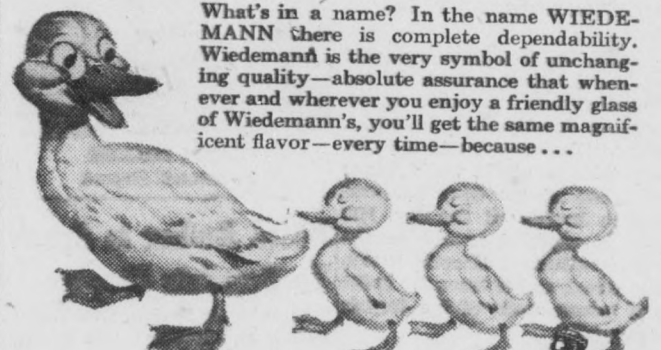
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Dulles Stand on Covenants Disappoints IJCRC Heads

The Jewish Community Relations council has expressed disappointment over Secretary of State John Foster Dulles' opposition to U. S. Senate ratification of the United Nations Genocide covenant and endorsement of the Human Rights covenant.

At a meeting of the IJCRC executive committee, members expressed disappointment that the U. S., which had urged drafting of the Human Rights covenant, and which led in the formulation of a Genocide covenant, was now officially withdrawing from such United Nations participation.

Dave Sawyer, executive director of the IJCRC, said that the conception of a U.N. treaty to defend human rights, was born as a result of Hitler's persecution of the Jews. Sawyer said that Dulles, as a U.N. delegate, urged the Assembly to draft international agreements on human rights and genocide.

The council director viewed as incredible "such a turnabout" and the declaration made recently by Dulles that the U. S. will not endorse the covenants. He said it would affect foreign regulations and the status of American leadership in the entire field of democratic and human rights.

JSS Receives

Bulletin on Restitution

The Jewish Social Services this week received a bulletin about the latest developments regarding indemnification and restitution due German and Austrian citizens.

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B'nai B'rith Meeting Set at Terre Haute

TERRE HAUTE—B'nai B'rith will hold a Central-Southern Indiana group meeting here at 10 a.m., Sunday, Apr. 26, at the Deming hotel.

JWF Women's Division To Hold Cabinet Meeting

The Women's Division of the Jewish Welfare fund will hold a cabinet dessert luncheon meeting at 1 p.m., Wednesday, Apr. 29, in the home of Mrs. Sam Schahet.

The cabinet members will honor Mrs. Ebner Blatt and Mrs. Sam Schahet, co-chairmen of the Women's Division, for the part they're taking in planning the annual Special Gifts luncheon to be held Wednesday, May 6, at Broadmoor country club.

Mrs. Blatt and Mrs. Schahet are co-chairmen of the women's drive.

There is a glare about worldly success which is very apt to dazzle men's eyes.

Denver Home Sponsors GI Supper

The Indianapolis Chapter of Denver Home will sponsor the supper for servicemen at 6 p.m., Sunday, Apr. 26, at Kirshbaum center.

Chairman for the supper will

MUST KNOW THEIR ONIONS!

CHC Sisterhood Quiz Show To Feature Meeting Tuesday

The CHC Sisterhood women had better be on their toes at their next meeting.

An audience participation quiz program patterned on the show "It's News to Me" will highlight their regular meeting at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, Apr. 28, in the CHC vestry.

A panel consisting of Mesdames Joseph Weisfeld, Harry Berman, George Wolfe, and Robert Trattner will seek to baffle contestants chosen from the audience. Winners will be awarded prizes for their display of knowledge.

The opening and closing prayers for the meeting will be given by Mrs. Hyman Bearman and Mrs. Dave Abraham respectively. Dessert will be served by hostesses Mrs. Jules Heisler, Jack Dorfman, and George Snyder.

An attendant will be on hand for small children.

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Lebanon Christian Arabs Look to Israel for Help and Encouragement

By SHLOMO YITZHAKI
Jewish Post Correspondent

TEL AVIV (JP)—"Lebanon's Christian tradition and our country's Christian majority are in danger because the Lebanese Government are supporting the Moslem Arab states, where Christians had always been persecuted . . . Christianity in Lebanon may be saved only if the enlightened leaders of our own country and of the State of Israel—the two non-Moslem states in the Middle East—will work together in harmony, achieving peace and security for both their peoples."

This is a quotation from a letter, signed by dignitaries of the Christian Communities in Lebanon, Israel's northern neighbor, which is at present circulating in this sole Arab state with a Christian majority.

The circulation of the letter, signed, among others, by Archbishop Mubarak, an old spiritual leader of the Lebanese Christians, has been prohibited by Lebanon authorities. A Lebanese Government spokesman recently accused the old Archbishop of "sympathies to Israel" and some Lebanese dailies then hinted that a formal protest against the clergyman will be lodged with the Vatican.

Copies of the letter have been received by leaders of the large so-called "Maronite" Communities in Israel—they live, since many generations, in various villages of Northern Galilee—who express admiration at the courage of the Lebanese Christian leaders. One of them told The Post recently:

"Believe me, this would never happen before. The existence of the State of Israel is at present of unimaginable effect on the behavior and courage of the Christian minorities in this Moslem part of the

world known as the Middle East . . ."

Christian minorities all over the Middle East know of the pledge in the Israel Declaration of Independence to "guarantee freedom of religion, conscience, education and culture." To carry out this pledge, special departments for the Christian communities (as well as for the Moslem ones) were set up within the Ministry for Religious Affairs.

The Post has had several opportunities to meet prominent leaders of Christian Communities in Israel, and they have frequently stressed that "Christians in Israel are enjoying full religious and educational autonomy in this country. We feel as free and as happy as if we would be living in a purely Christian country," as the Catholic Bishop Monsignor George Hakim put it during a public sermon on Annunciation Day in Nazareth.

22 Pct. of Columbia U. Jewish Students Veto Intermarriage

NEW YORK (JP)—Jewish students at Columbia University view intermarriage favorably, a survey made public last week shows.

Hershel Shanks, a sociology graduate student, sent a questionnaire to 1,200 undergraduate students at Columbia and received 536 replies. Thirty-five percent expressed approval of intermarriage, 43 percent were neutral and 22 percent were in opposition.

Shanks received twice as many replies to his questionnaire as he expected.

TERCENTENARY BODY 'REGRETS' CRITICISM OF LABOR GROUP

NEW YORK (JP)—A spokesman for the American Jewish Tercentenary Committee expressed "surprise and regret" this week at the resolution of the Jewish Labor Committee denouncing Tercentenary committee plans for the observance of the 300th anniversary of Jewish settlement in the United States.

The Jewish Labor Committee, meeting in annual convention at Atlantic City, voted unanimously to conduct a separate observance because the Tercentenary had "slighted" the importance of contributions of labor and East European Jews to America in planning events for the observance.

MIGHT PLAN OWN FETES

The Labor Committee resolution, the first formal criticism of the Tercentenary committee, was understood to mean that the labor group would work out its own plans if the Tercentenary committee failed to head the protest.

The resolution expressed criticism of "the tendency that the celebration should concentrate primarily in the synagogues and should find expression in the gathering of historical material."

"We dedicate ourselves to the idea that the most important contribution to the history of Jews in America was given by the Eastern European immigration of the last century," the resolution added. "This immigration assisted in the upbuilding of American Jewish community organizations, the Jewish press and

Jewish literature which has become an integral part of the achievements of the American people."

The Tercentenary committee spokesman explained that the organization was surprised by the resolution, "because it has certainly been made clear that we feel that every element in the American Jewish community should be represented and given its proper place within the overall framework of the observance. This was and remains our original intention."

The spokesman added that Adolph Held, national chairman of the Jewish Labor Committee, "was among those who participated and signed the program policy report defining the scope and theme of the forthcoming observance."

"We believe that Mr. Held signed this report in the knowledge that all elements of the Jewish community would be represented in the observance," he added.

Another point made in reply to

Israel Cabinet OKs Unified Education Bill

JERUSALEM—The Israel Cabinet approved last week, and a special committee has been appointed to draft a bill on the principles of a unified education system.

State education, according to a report in The Jerusalem Post, will be based on a standard curriculum approved by the Minister of Education, and there will be two types of state schools—religious and secular.

Religious schools will be available to Moslems and Christians as well as Jews, and in both types parents will be allowed to select a "supplementary curriculum" taking up to 25 percent of the total number of classes. All teachers will be appointed by the Minister of Education, and parents will be able to choose the type of school they wish their children to attend.

The Cabinet also approved the draft of a marriage and divorce bill, which would place all such matters concerning Jews under jurisdiction of the religious courts. Only in alimony and custody suits will alternative jurisdiction be given the civil courts.

The resolution was that there was nothing in the framework of the projected observance which would bar the Jewish Labor Committee from developing and staging, within the tercentenary framework, a program of observances along the lines proposed in the resolution.

Peace with Israel Means Suicide For Arabs, Says Lebanon Diplomat

JERUSALEM—"Peace with Israel would mean suicide for the Arabs," Charles Malik, Lebanese Ambassador to the U. S., told a Beirut correspondent, according to a report last week in The Jerusalem Post.

The Post cited, at the same time, an Arab News Agency (ANA) report that Lebanon had decided to reimpose a state of emergency in the south of the country "because," according to the ANA report, "it borders on Israel with which Lebanon is still at war."

MEETING SLATED

These were some of the expressions last week of the Arab viewpoint on Arab-Israel relations, issued just before the Arab members of the Mixed Armistice Commissions were to meet in Cairo, with peace with Israel the major item on the agenda.

Other utterances on the subject were heard in the Holy Land itself, on the occasion of the Moslem feast of Leilat el Isra'a (Night of the Ascension) Sunday, April 12.

TIME FOR ACTION

According to Falastin and A-Diffa, Arab newspapers in the Jordan-occupied Old City of Jerusalem, The Post reported, Mohammed Abdu, commander of the Moslem Brotherhood in the Palestine War, told a meeting of 5,000 who were gathered to celebrate the feast that there was no doubt that the time for action in Palestine was rapidly approaching.

Sa'id Ramadhan, chief propa-

gandist for the Brotherhood, told the gathering that members in Egypt were training for the soon-to-come second round.

FOUR RESOLUTIONS

The meeting, which was addressed by delegates from neighboring Arab countries, resolved, according to the report in The Jerusalem Post,

● to hold an all-Moslem conference in Jerusalem every year on Leilat el Isra'a;

● to remind every Moslem that "the liberation of the Holy Land" is his sacred duty;

● to rescue Moslem properties and to secure them in Moslem hands; and

● that victory in Palestine depends on the return of Moslems to the basis of their religion.

Leilat el Isra'a marks Mohammed's translation to heaven from the site of the Haram es Sharif in the Old City. At the April 12 meeting, Sheikh Mohammed Khalifah, Chief Guide of the Moslem Brotherhood in Amman, Jordan, told the crowd that the site of the Mosque, which is the second most sacred Moslem shrine, "is continually threatened by the enemy who is only a few meters away."

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TIME FOR MINIMUM GUIDE—EISENDRATH

NEW YORK (JP)—Dr. Maurice N. Eisenrath, president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, told the opening session Sunday of the 42nd general assembly of the UAHC that "the time has come for the formulation of at least some minimum guide for Reform Jewish practice."

The recommendation was one of a series in the presidential report to some 3,000 delegates, in which Rabbi Eisenrath praised the accomplishments of American Reform and simultaneously castigated the movement with charges of failing to provide the means to carry out a completely effective program.

The suggestion for a "minimum guide" was hedged with warnings that a specific "code" might be "contrary to the very meaning of Reform Judaism."

FAITH AND VIRTUE

"Rigid custom still dare not replace righteous conduct as the rudimentary requirement of Reform, nor can multiplications of forms supplant the magnification of Faith, nor can vehicles and vestitures displace virtue and personal piety," he declared in another section of his report.

The Reform leader opened his discussion of the problem with the declaration that American Reform Jews "continue to be plagued by the utter lack of any norm of Reform Jewish practice and while, to be sure, none wishes to betray the essential significance of Reform Judaism to be found in its liberality of form and content, nevertheless, as I have pointed out in the past, liberalism or liberality speedily descends into sheer license where there are no standards whatsoever for the guidance of the Reform Jew, particularly for those multitudes who have but recently joined our ranks."

'AVID IMITATORS'

Referring to the observance at the biennial of the 80th anniversary of the founding of the UAHC, Rabbi Eisenrath asserted that "within our own household of American Jewry we have influenced the whole structure and spirit of American Judaism to the extent that even those who at times have been among our most bitter detractors, have become in this day our most avid imitators," an apparent reference to "left-wing" Conservative Judaism.

He listed as among a "myriad" of aspects of Reform Judaism in which American Reform has blazed a trail along which others today slavishly—and sometimes a bit grudgingly—follow these examples:

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• "... the use of vernacular in prayer and preaching ...

• "... the adaptation of the ancient teachings and practices of our faith to the soil and soul of our land and era ...

'UTMOST FERVOR'

Noting that he was speaking on the eve of the observance of the fifth anniversary of Israel's statehood, Dr. Eisenrath declared that, "despite any ideological divergencies which may have divided us in the past, there is none among us tonight who will not hail with utmost fervor the rare accomplishments of our courageous brethren in the historic land of Israel."

"A week from Tuesday next a group of us will set out, as did our forebears centuries ago at this season of the year, on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land to spend one of those 'Sholosh Reg-



DR. EISENDRATH
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olim (Three Pilgrimage Festivals), the Festival of Shavuot, on its sacred soil," he said, in a reference to the first American Reform pilgrimage to the Jewish State.

'UTMOST AID'

He urged the delegates to give the pilgrimage a pledge, on behalf of American Reform, that "in this dark hour of encirclement, of ever more foreboding encroachment, and of religious as well as physical need, we aspire to offer the utmost of our material and spiritual aid" to Israel.

Describing the work of the UAHC in adult Jewish education as "feeble," Dr. Eisenrath declared also that "we are still but toying with the most important task we have to do: the equipping of our children with that knowledge of their Jewish heritage which alone will make them joyous yea-saying members of the Jewish community in general and of our Reform movement in particular."

'PALTRY PENNIES'

He urged the delegates to "contrast the vast sums expended to please them (Reform Jewish children) elsewhere, with the paltry pennies we yet expend on Jewish education, locally and nationally" and to "take seriously ... this solemn obligation of providing spiritual security, moral sustenance and Jewish knowledge for your spiritually starving sons and daughters ...

He added that "we are failing miserably to discharge our true responsibility" in both adult and child Jewish education.

Referring to the relatively new UAHC program of outdoor camp institutes, Rabbi Eisenrath charged that American Reform has been failing its youth, and that, "instead of sitting in judgment upon the alleged spiritual obtuseness of our youth, it is we who are called to judgment."

URGES 'RETREATS'

Reporting that the Union Camp Institute at Lac Labelle, Wisconsin, has been used as "retreats" by Reform synagogue boards, brotherhoods and sisterhoods, Rabbi Eisenrath urged the establishment of a national commission for adult "retreats."

The Reform leader declared that American Reform had been deeply amiss in failing to take advantage of radio and television opportunities.

"There is hardly a single dinner

party or social gathering of Jews that I have attended during the past year on a Tuesday evening that does not turn the TV dial to the telecast of a certain Bishop of the Catholic Church," he told the delegates.

'IRONIC FAILURE'

Not only has American Jewry been guilty of an "ironic failure to provide any TV program of a Jewish religious nature" as good as the Bishop Sheen program, Dr. Eisenrath asserted, but "the air is filled with broadcasts and telecasts of a religious nature among which our own Reform message and mission are conspicuous by their absence."

Taking up the problem of increased attendance at regular synagogue services, Dr. Eisenrath paid tribute to the campaign of the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods, but said such efforts were not enough.

He announced that the UAHC Commission on Synagogue Activities "is undertaking a serious study of the whole problem of prayer in the contemporary world," which would seek to deal with such questions as:

'ARCHAIC LANGUAGE'

• "Is our prayer book, notwithstanding its several revisions, sufficiently attuned to our time? Have we failed to keep astride even of the Christian church which, through its recent Bible translation, eliminated much of the archaic language that still marks our liturgy and bores many of our people?"

• "What place has worship anyway in an atomic age and how can the synagogue hope to lure from the TV screens those whom even the most lurid movies no longer attract to the motion picture houses?"

Discussing the growth of American Reform, Rabbi Eisenrath reported that UAHC affiliated congregations had grown from 301 in 1943 to 458 in 1953 and that membership had grown from some 60,000 in 1943 to "well over 130,000 members" in 1953.

'GENERAL PAGANIZATION'

Nevertheless, he declared, "even with all our unprecedented growth, we have still not climbed to higher than the little more than 10 per cent of the Jewish population of the United States. Here, too, we have not bitten deeply enough into the large and hard core of those who are unidentified with congregational life, those who thus serve, by their divorce from things spiritual, not only to undermine our own Jewish religious foundations but who also add—though we should not shout this from the housetops—to the general paganization, despiritualization and de-

moralization of contemporary American life."

He proposed, "as I have previously urged," the formation of a national commission on building the Reform Jewish movement.

REVIEWS NCRAC ROLE

In a lengthy review of the role of the UAHC in the struggle over the MacIver Report and its impact on the National Community Relations Advisory Council, Dr. Eisenrath declared that the UAHC, as a member of the NCRAC, was now "charged with an extraordinary challenge to be, together with our sister congregational bodies on the American Jewish scene, the agency of the American Jewish community in interreligious activities."

He asserted that "we have already succeeded, through the initiative of the Union, in integrating the three congregational bodies—the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations, the United Synagogue of America, and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations—into a joint religious committee for this interreligious work."

"What now remains to be done," he added, "is to take seriously the confidence that has been reposed in us."

'BLASPHEMY'

Declaring that the appeal of Communism in its struggle for world domination required that American Jewry "rouse ourselves from our religious lukewarmness and moral timidities," he asserted that "it is nothing short of blasphemy to preen ourselves on being servants of God sallying forth

to a holy war against the slaves of Satan when we ourselves rarely think of, pray to, or seek the guidance of the Lord.

"It is frank hypocrisy to denounce the materialism of the Kremlin, when the paganism of America—its stocks and bonds, its profit and prosperity—are our own primary concerns," he said. "There is not too much qualitative distinction between a synagogue sacked by the Soviet and our own Temples decimated by neglect."

'DEEDS OF DARING'

Turning to the relation of American Reform to the American struggle for freedom, Dr. Eisenrath said that "deeds of daring" are required of American Jewry "in this dark hour when men on horseback threaten—not merely from behind the Iron Curtain—but from behind bed sheets and night clothes and congressional immunity."

He denounced "inquisitorial dragnets and fear-mongering witch-hunts, self-appointed vigilantes," who, he charged, "would pervert the very freedom of which they hypocritically prate and thus betray from within the special heritage of America."

'INTESTINAL FORTITUDE'

He proposed that, as a special project of UAHC participation in the American Jewish Tercentenary observance, the Reform congregations align themselves with the Committee on Maintenance of American Freedom of the National Council of Churches of Christ, supreme body of American Protestantism.

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Arabs Shun Israel Citizenship; Seen Fearing Retaliation

PHILADELPHIA (JP)—Fear of retaliation in event of Arab conquest of Israel has prevented the overwhelming majority of the 100,000 Arabs who have returned to Israel since the inception of the state from applying for citizenship, according to Mrs. Dvorah Metlitsky, Israeli labor leader now touring the U. S.

Mrs. Metlitsky, special delegate of the Working Women's Council of Israel visiting the U. S. under the auspices of Pioneer Women, women's labor Zionist group, said, however, that 90 percent of the Arab population has integrated itself "economically and culturally with their Jewish fellow countrymen."

Discussing Arab women, Mrs. Metlitsky, who plans to return to Israel in June, said hundreds of them—who had been widowed or abandoned during the war—have been trained as social workers and nurses, those with special talents received training to develop them, and hundreds others have become self-supporting in trades and crafts and in factory work, side by side with non-Arabs.

As one evidence of advances made by Israeli Arab women, she pointed out that some 800 of them had joined the Israel Labor League, an all-Arab labor union with 11,000 male members.

Israel Income Triples Since 1948—Eshkol

JERUSALEM (WNS)—Finance Minister Levi Eshkol said last week Israel's national income has more than tripled in the five years since the inception of the state.

In 1948, Eshkol said in a nationwide broadcast, the national income was some \$240 million, as against \$800 million this year.

He also said 925,000 acres were

under cultivation this year, as against 412,500 in 1949, and 75,000 families were earning their income from farming as against 47,000 five years ago.

The Women's Viewpoint, by Helen Cohen, has more men readers than women, if reports that filter into the office of The National Jewish Post are accurate.

Israel Needs Technicians with Experience and Sense of Mission

By HERBERT I. BERNSTEIN

ISRAEL needs men of experience far more than men of education. Except possibly in the textile field, most "industry" is virtually new, with almost no tradition. Concepts such as quality control, raw material specifications, safety, material handling, cost accounting—things which are taken for granted in the U. S.—are only in their beginnings here.

Although an M.I.T. degree is a pleasant and useful appendage, the person holding it would be triply valuable with even as little as two additional years of plant and/or business experience. It is not so much that American methods should be

This article reached The Post too late for inclusion in the Israel anniversary issue April 17, for which it was intended. Dr. Bernstein, an American who went to Israel, is technical director of Kadimah Chemical Corp. in Haifa.

bodily transferred to Israel. The conditions and markets are vastly different. An American technician must be broad enough to adopt or modify his experience to fit the specific needs of the more limited market and uncertain raw material situation met with here.

What specific industries are in existence now, and could probably absorb experienced technical help? The chemical industry is expanding rapidly—especially heavy chemicals. Even "petrochemicals" will be manufactured in "microscopic" quantities in the near future.

THERE ARE ALSO chemical consuming industries utilizing industrial know-how. The plastics industry comprises plants varying from simple extruders or molders to one factory converting an imported monomer to the polymer. The protective coatings industry is represented by relatively modern plants whose desire for improvement is attested by their record of research and development. Many rubber and elastomer articles are manufactured and there are two completely modern tire factories. Pharmaceuticals are formulated, but the industry as yet does little fundamental manufacture or research.

Agriculture is, of course, developed to a considerable extent. Technicians are always helpful for larger scale farming and for later food processing. This latter is becoming a major industry here, with excellent possibilities for exporting its products.

Construction of roads, buildings, dwellings, etc., is still far short of needs. A thriving industry could certainly use experienced engineers, and is working on a large enough scale to make

'Siyum' Marked In Jerusalem

JERUSALEM—Singing and dancing filled Zion Square Monday night, April 14, when hundreds of men and boys celebrated the conclusion of a complete reading of the Talmud.

The celebration marked the fourth such cycle, at the rate of a page a day for seven years, in the "Daf Yomi" (One Page a Day) movement sponsored by the World Agudat Israel, ultra-Orthodox movement.

the application of new methods interesting. Cement and clay products are important and active, as are ceramics in general. This is one industry operating mostly on local raw materials. There are also modern glass plants in operation.

THE METAL TRADES have developed to the degree where trained personnel are needed. There is little in non-ferrous metals, except one factory making aluminum kitchen utensils. Plants large enough to be interested in employing highly skilled or educated men are involved in foundry practice or building and tank construction. There is one company building boats—mostly small launches and lighters.

The utilization of mechanical engineers is in its infancy, but growing. There is one auto assembly plant and another assembling refrigerators. Bus bodies are built here for local needs. An expert in refrigeration and air-conditioning would find little difficulty in finding a place here.

Mining has become somewhat more than a pipe-dream. The phosphate deposits are being worked, while full development of the copper mines waits further technical studies on the ore. Geological and geophysical surveys are continuing under various auspices. Water is continuously sought as is further knowledge of its more effective utilization.

zation and transportation. At least four serious drilling operations for oil will begin within the year.

THE SHIPPING industry has enjoyed amazing growth, and is certainly large enough to support more trained personnel than it has at present. Even fishing is developing into a business rather than a hobby and experts are hired mostly from Italy to train our people. Since so little foreign exchange is needed it is hoped that this industry will furnish the chief protein supply of the country.

Electrical power generation and transmission is also growing rapidly, and new problems are arising every day.

Finally, there are two institutions of higher learning, an ultra-modern research institute, and a few much smaller laboratories set up by industrial associations. The need here for experienced personnel is obvious.

THIS IS a bird's eye view of the present situation. Most of the future growth will also be along lines indicated here. However, there is always room—and need—for an expert and entrepreneur in a field untapped to date. Better mousetraps, especially for sale in Europe, can be built here, also. The difficulty may be in obtaining capital, so that technical men with money—and they evidently do exist—are more than welcome.

With the need for experts so obvious, and with the appreciation of this need being shouted by everyone from the Prime Minister down, one would naturally suppose that the working conditions would be wonderful and salaries high. However, this is not the case.

A head of a company, big as well as little, is paid about as much as an inexperienced American engineer just out of college, and his salary will buy less. Housing was difficult, but is easing up and most companies will make an effort to assist their personnel in solving this problem. Various organizations are also providing special housing for foreign experts.

THE REASON for this apparent paradox is two-fold—idealism and poverty. Relatively speaking, the technical man is not badly off. His salary can be about that of a cabinet minister. Israel is a poor country. Russia was also a poor country in the 1920's, but spent a vast number of dollars to hire Americans to build up to its present industrial potential. Israel evidently feels that there are enough young Jews in this world who will accept the challenge to build up a new nation out of nothing—not just any "nation"—but one that is a continuation of an ancient past which they as individuals should already have been proud.

Should young Jews come? There are certain satisfactions which can be obtained in almost no other place. Put a bit nastily, here you are a big fish in a little pond. For such a fish the swimming might be easier. Put more charitably, here one's abilities can accomplish the most good for a greater number of individuals.

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In Memory of the Warsaw Ghetto Fighters

In commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto, the American Jewish Congress opened an exhibit of the works of Luba Gurdus, noted artist who is a survivor of the Nazi occupation of Poland, last week, at Stephen Wise Congress House in N. Y.

The exhibit, which will be on view for one month, contains 22 paintings and drawings of the Ghetto and of Jewish life in Poland under the Nazis.

Born in Poland, Miss Gurdus studied at Lausanne and the

academies of Berlin and Warsaw. Trapped in Poland during the war, she escaped from a Nazi collection center, was captured and imprisoned in Maidanek and finally remained in hiding from 1943 until the end of the Nazi occupation in Poland. After the war, Miss Gurdus became a citizen of Israel and exhibited a series of intense and vivid drawings in galleries in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem. Her works were first exhibited at a show held simultaneously in two New York galleries.

Warsaw Ghetto Survivor Gives \$250,000 toward Inter-group Amity

NEW YORK (JP)—His gift of \$250,000 toward the establishment of the Necchi Foundation to promote religious and racial understanding is just one of several payments Leon Jolson, founder and president of the American and Canadian divisions of the Necchi Sewing Machine Sales Corp., has made on the \$2,000 he borrowed from the United Service for New Americans so that he could set himself up in business soon after he and his wife arrived in the U. S. in 1947.

Jolson announced the gift on the first anniversary of his American citizenship and the tenth anniversary of the Warsaw ghetto revolt, in which he participated.

'FAMILY BUSINESS'

The slim, grey-haired, 39-year-old survivor of the Warsaw ghetto was born with a silver spoon in his mouth—his grandfather had made sewing machines in Poland, his father was Necchi's Warsaw distributor and, just before World War II, Leon himself was named the Italian firm's North European manager.

The Jolson family—mother, his three married sisters, two married brothers and their children—were all in Warsaw when the Germans marched into Poland in 1939.

Brother Benjamin, whose wife's family was in Palestine, managed to get away with his wife to Italy and thence to Tel Aviv where today he—apart from Leon—is the only surviving member of the family. Incidentally, he's also in the sewing machine business.

BEGAN SIMPLY

The 350,000 Jews in the Warsaw ghetto hadn't long to wait before the Nazis began to practice their long-propagandized program for wiping out the Jews. It began simply enough, and one of the first steps was segregating Jews in street cars.

"I well remember when that began," Jolson told The Post. "It was on my wedding day in 1940." He remembers other things—the sudden surrounding of a block in the ghetto, the prodding of the hapless occupants into the street, the careless rattle of submachine guns silencing and subduing any terror-stricken Jew caught hiding in the buildings. To Treblinka, in

the first mass deportations from the ghetto, went the Jews herded together as the S.S. men and their Ukrainian and Lithuanian assistants strode savagely from block to block.

At first, Jolson and his wife lived by themselves. But not for long. They moved in with the rest of his family, fleeing from one hiding place to another every time the S.S. searchers approached. Nervous, tense, tired, the Jolsons eventually found themselves a breathing space when, as an entire family, they were given work in a factory, established in the ghetto by Nazis making uniforms for the German army.

MOVED FREELY

All the Jolsons naturally knew something about sewing machines and they held their jobs for some months. Leon's expert maintenance of 300 machines entitled him to papers allowing him to move from factory to factory taking care of machines.

Sensing that employment in the uniform factory did not guarantee total security, Jolson made arrangements for his wife to get out of the ghetto on false papers and work as a nurse in a hospital. His mother, too, was smuggled out to live with a non-Jewish family. It was as well that he had taken these precautions. As the systematic Nazi round-up continued, ghetto resistance stiffened, and in the spring of 1943 . . .

"We hid in bunkers, in cellars, on roofs," Jolson said quietly. "As soon as a group of Germans came in, we killed them. Arms? Of course we had some arms. German arms. You can always buy arms from a corrupt, mur-

dering army. We bought our arms from the Germans—and used them against the Germans. They were nervous, afraid. If they searched a room, they never knew from which corner a shot would come."

BROTHER SLAIN

The resistance went on for weeks, but the Jolsons were among the thousands rounded up and moved out to concentration camps. They were taken off to Poniatov and on the way, Jolson's brother attempted to escape and was shot.

"I was in Poniatov when I got warning that the Jews there were to be exterminated," Jolson said. "I managed to escape." Using

his papers that permitted him to move from factory to factory to take care of sewing machines, he slipped back to Warsaw, and into the underground.

Together with his wife and mother, he was installed in an apartment equipped with a radio receiver with which he picked up broadcasts from all over the world, giving the information to a liaison officer who passed it on for printing in the underground's news sheet. Search parties never found the radio room which the underground also used as an arms dump.

"We had a false wall, and when you slid that aside there was a locker with a double back. You had to open up the back of the locker to get into the radio-equipped arsenal."

MOTHER DIES

A few months after he's started this work, tragedy struck again. His mother died.

"We couldn't bury her—we weren't supposed to be there in that building. I had to pack her in a case and ship her out on a truck to a Gentile cemetery where

she was buried under a false name," Jolson said. He went back after the war and set up a tombstone inscribed with his mother's real name.

Four times in 20 months he had to change his hiding place. "That was the only time I went out—when we had to rush to some new hide-out." This went on till the spring of 1944 when the Polish underground, heartened by the Russian advances, began large-scale activities against the Germans. He and his wife were captured in street fighting but, on the train to a concentration camp, they both jumped to freedom.

"We went to a little village and managed to find work on a farm until January, 1945, when, with the Russian advance, we were able to go back to Warsaw." He didn't like what he saw.

FLED TO U.S. ZONE

"The Germans were out of Poland but anti-Semitism was still there—and I saw that the Russians were there to stay. We got to the border without tickets, without passports. We went to Bucharest, to Budapest, through Czechoslovakia, until we reached the D.P. camps in the U. S. zone of Germany."

The day he landed with his wife in America, his success story began. Through his efforts, the Italian sewing machine, made by Necchi, has become the leading—the firm states—foreign sewing machine in America, handled by a network of more than 1,800 dealers and distributors. Recently, the company acquired sole distribution rights in America for the Swiss-made Elna lightweight portable sewing machine.

The firm, which employs several Warsaw ghetto survivors, claims a \$25 million sales figure for 1952.

TO REVISIT ISRAEL

And brother Benjamin, in Israel, makes parts for Necchi assembled by Leon, who has just placed an order for 50,000 items from his brother's factory. He gives a lot of thought to Israel, which he is going to revisit in a few weeks.

"I feel the whole Israel economy isn't planned on a long-lasting basis," Leon said. "American businessmen have got to give the country a chance to earn dollars—in that way she'll be able to buy the raw materials and the food she needs."

Leon plans to help. He is shipping raw material to his brother's factory so that he can get the sewing machine parts he wants in exchange for the dollars Israel wants. Naturally, he has a lot of faith in the sewing machine. Remembering the facilities he'd been granted by the Nazis, he remarked:

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How HIAS Helps Clinch Shidukh between Ethiopian Girl and U.S. GI from New York

NEW YORK—How the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS) served as shadkhan for the father of a prospective bride in Ethiopia, helping clinch the match with an American soldier, a New Yorker stationed in Ethiopia, was disclosed recently.

A letter from Asmara, Ethiopia, addressed to "The President of the Jewish Community of New York," was delivered, as a matter of course, to Ben Touster, president of HIAS, at the agency's headquarters in New York. The text of the letter follows:

"DEAR SIR:

I will be highly obliged if you will be kind enough to furnish me with the necessary information about Cpl. P. F. (address as follows), who is living with his mother and her name is Y. F. of the same address.

"For your information, the above person asked permission to marry my daughter, and as he is at present working in the American Army in our country, and is unknown to us here, except of his presence, I shall be indeed highly obliged to have from you the necessary information and answers to my enclosed enquiries.

"I would appreciate that before allowing my daughter to travel to America, I must satisfy myself as to the suitability of this person. As the above person is having only a short time to stay here, I would request for an immediate answer to enable us here to give a definite reply. Any information that you would be able to give us shall be definitely kept secret and confidential. Thanking you in advance for any help that

you may render to us and apologizing for the trouble,

Yours faithfully,
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Whether he is religious.
Where he comes from originally.
What is his job.
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Whether he is Sabbath observer."

This constituted quite an order, but an inquiry in the boy's home town brought the following reply to HIAS:

"WITH REFERENCE to your letter of March 3, 1953, I have visited the F. family. Mrs. F., mother of Corporal P. F., is a member of our sisterhood. The family is quite observant, and the boy himself was a member of Young Israel. Prior to entering the army, he was graduated from New York University and was a pre-med dental student. He is a Sabbath observer and has observed kashrut in his own house.

"My best wishes for a happy and successful marriage. Mazal tov.

S. M. B., RABBI"

A copy of this letter was immediately dispatched to Ethiopia where, HIAS reports, the couple were married.

REPORT FROM HOLLYWOOD

MODERN LIFE IS A CINCH, IF YOU'VE THE RIGHT SORT OF SCRIPTWRITER

By SHIMON WINCELBURG

SINCE I seem to have been a little negligent in visiting and reviewing some recent motionpicture classics involving Hebrew prophets and well-adjusted cantors, let me at least mention a recent Paramount musical, "The Stars Are Singing," with Rosemarie Clooney and Anna Maria Alberghetti, which tells of a young Polish girl, abetted by some large-hearted television entertainers, trying to dodge the twin menace of the McCarran Act and its seemingly principal beneficiaries, the Communist governments of Eastern Europe.

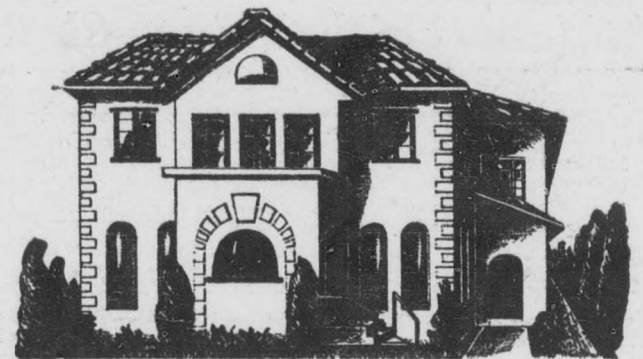
Paramount, no doubt unintentionally, has managed to create an interesting sort of police-state atmosphere in the film's Greenwich Village locale, as if to show us the direction in which the solicitude of the distinguished white-haired Senator from the Slotmachine State seems to be heading us.

While, in this particular story, the goodhearted people of TV, Greenwich Village and the White House succeed in obtaining asylum for the young lady, you're sort of left wondering what happens to those poor slobbs who don't have Miss Alberghetti's stunning voice, or a kindly scriptwriter to arrange for a happy end.

ONE of the most interesting Jewish characters of any forthcoming major film, the role of defense attorney, Lt. Barney Greenwald, in "The Caine Mutiny," is to be filled by Jose Ferrer. Producer Stanley Kramer has announced "The Caine Mutiny" as the most ambitious project he has ever undertaken.



WINCELBURG



THIS drawing, by actor Fred Melchoir, pictures the home of the West Coast Talmudical Seminary, just acquired by New York's Bet Midrash Elyon of Mesivta Torah VoDaas in West Hollywood.

The Seminary will be the first West Coast Yeshivah to offer an all-day course of study, and full dormitory and eating facilities for teenage students from the western states.

The institution is headed locally by Rabbi Simcha Wasserman.

The Singapore Jewish community is looking for a rabbi, a youth leader and a social welfare worker.

Israel Plans Shift Of 100,000 to Farms

JERUSALEM (WNS)—Transfer of some 25,000 to 35,000 families, totaling about 100,000 people, to agriculture from other pursuits within the current year is being planned by the Israel Government, according to an announcement this week by Finance Minister Levi Eshkol.

It is felt that economic pressure will induce that number of people to turn to farming.

The Government also announced that Israel Army units of all services, including combat units, will henceforth receive a half-year course in agricultural training and related field work.

The Israel military service law provides for one year's agricultural service, which up to now has not been implemented because of the state of emergency.

Rabbi and Mrs. Moses Eichenstein, Chicago, announce the birth of a son, Israel.

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WOMEN'S VIEWPOINT

AT LEAST SYNAGOGUE MEMBERS SHOULD GO TO SERVICES REGULARLY

By HELEN COHEN

THE young lady should have known better than to ask such a question, even a rhetorical one, in front of Mrs. Pessimist. "Why," she said, "do I need to go to shul every week to pray? Can't I pray whenever and wherever I wish?"

Did Mrs. Pessimist give her a pep talk or tell her it was good for her character or to set an example for her children or any of the positive approaches to the problem? Not her. She went straight to the negative point.

"So you don't go to shul. So everybody thinks the same and nobody goes to shul. So what does the rabbi do? What would you do? Would you take it week after week? He says enough. Through. Better he should shovel ditches.

"Say all the rabbis leave. And no boys apply as candidates at the seminary. (Would you encourage your boy?) And without students, what need for seminaries?

"And then where is Judaism. No leaders, no teachers, no knowledge, no heritage to transmit, no light remains burning."

ANOTHER LADY SPOKE UP.

"You put forth a good argument, and yet I rather like the attitude of Dr. Mordecai Kaplan in which he says—if I express it correctly—that Judaism, being a civilization, considers as part of its group all types of Jews, whatever their belief or lack of belief. It's a comfortable feeling to know one belongs, no matter what, and yet, secularist Jews can't be expected to attend religious services."

"Granting that you are right," answered Mrs. P., "then it must become the responsibility of those willing to assume the responsibility. Those who belong to synagogue and temples. Time to realize that with the privilege of belonging go responsibilities. They want the rabbi when they need him, they must come across when he needs them. They want him for their wedding ceremonies, to make over their son on his bar mitzvah, to comfort them and be their spiritual support in time of sorrow or suffering. And they think they are filling their end of the bargain by paying their dues and showing up on Yom Kippur. Just what do they expect the rabbi to be doing the other 51 weeks, hibernating?

"That's the answer. Those who want the privileges of membership must assume also its responsibilities. No membership should be accepted without a pledge to attend regularly, each week. And this goes double for board members."

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IN LINE with Mrs. Pessimist's conclusions, we might point out that a couple of rabbis missed an opportunity.

We heard of a city in which functions a Conference of Jewish Women (all of the local women's organizations send representatives to regular sessions to iron out local problems or make decisions. This arrangement works in several cities).

At any rate, the various women's organizations in that city had all come to the conclusion that it was too much of a burden to hold monthly meetings, what with the difficulty of planning interesting programs month after month, year after year, on the same limited themes.

ALL OF THEM agreed, but the motion to hold meetings only every other month was defeated because the two sisterhoods were persuaded by their rabbis that the move was an unhealthy one, that the sisterhood members, even though most failed to attend, should still be made aware that a regular monthly meeting was being held.

Why couldn't the rabbis have compromised, seeing that the various groups all favored the idea, by suggesting that the sisterhood ladies, during the alternate

months, instead of their meeting, take over at services as official Sisterhood Night four times a year, to take active part in the prayers instead of a headache with programs. After all, it is fitting, since Sisterhood is part of the official family of the synagogue.

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NOT criticizing. After all, women and children are people too. Just reporting a trend. An ironic one at that.

At bar mitzvah services at the Saturday morning session, at which the young man reads from the Torah, he finds his audience, if this community is representative and it most likely is, consisting more and more of women and children. A trend no doubt born of the necessity of many men to work Saturday.

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Biederman

Dear Mr. Pearlroth:

Could you please let me know the origin of the name Biederman. We are from Hungary.

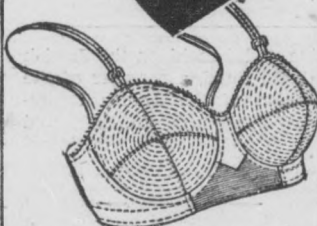
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BRAISED LAMB CHOPS WITH VEGETABLES

4 shoulder chops
1 tablespoon fat
salt and pepper
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup each, diced turnips,
celery, onion
1 cup diced carrots
1 cup water or strained tomatoes
Heat fat in frying pan, brown chops on both sides in hot fat. Season with salt and pepper. Mix diced vegetables together, season with salt and pepper, place in baking pan and lay meat over vegetables. Add water, cover pan tightly and let bake at 325 degrees two hours or until meat is tender; or let simmer on top of stove.

STUFFED LAMB CHOPS

Have chops cut $1\frac{1}{2}$ to two inches thick. Slit lean meat in half, cutting to bone. Fill slit with any stuffing desired. Broil stuffed chops; or braise them as in recipe for Braised Lamb Chops with Vegetables; or bread them and roast on rack in covered roasting pan at 325 degrees for hour and half or until tender.

CURRIED LAMB

2 pounds shoulder
1 tablespoon fat
1 onion, diced
3 cups hot water or strained tomatoes
 $2\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoons salt
2 tablespoons flour
 $\frac{3}{4}$ cup cold water
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoons curry powder
or 1 tablespoon Worcestershire Sauce
3 cups cooked rice
Cut meat into 1-inch cubes. Heat fat, brown meat cubes and onion in hot fat. Add hot water, thyme and salt, and let simmer hour and half or until meat is tender. Mix flour and curry powder, and blend to smooth paste with the cold water. Stir into meat liquid, and let cook, stirring constantly, until well blended and thickened. Line greased baking dish on sides and bottom with cooked rice, pressing rice firmly into place. Fill center with meat mixture, and bake at 350 degrees 20 minutes.

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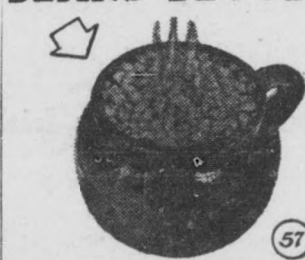
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Willing To Consult Rabbis On This

WE heartily applaud the suggestion of Rabbi Isaac Trainin, advisor on religious affairs to the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of Greater New York, that a conference of Jewish institutions and organizations be convened to discuss Sabbath and holiday observances in the offices of the Federation.

This suggestion was reported in a dispatch from New York in last week's Post. The same news item reported that Milton Weill, Federation president, could not be reached for comment since he was on a trip to Europe.

The Case Of Harold Glasser

THE refusal of Harold Glasser, head of the Overseas Institute of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, to testify before the Congressional subcommittee on internal security on his alleged membership in the Communist Party can no longer be ignored by the CJFWF.

The position of the Council has been that none of the charges against Mr. Glasser of aiding the Communist party have been proven, and that the government, if it feels that it has a case against him, should bring him to trial where his innocence or guilt can be determined.

This position was tenable, however, only up until Mr. Glasser's appearance before Congress. Given an opportunity to clear himself,

We venture that when Mr. Weill returns he will not be too happy with Rabbi Trainin's suggestion.

In the fight by various groups for kashrut at the new Long Island Jewish Hospital, the New York rabbis were pretty much ignored when they urged that the hospital conform to kashrut regulations in its kitchens.

Perhaps the conference to be convened on a similar question of religious practice will set a precedent for future procedure by the Federation.

and perhaps to aid the U. S. in its attempt to root out Communist influence in the government, Mr. Glasser chose to shield himself behind the fifth amendment. This is his right.

But in making this choice, he thereby became an uncooperative witness. In addition, he placed the CJFWF, which has acted with great restraint in the matter up until now and refused to become party to any kind of hysteria or witch hunt, in a compromising situation, which its actions do not deserve.

There are a number of questions which Mr. Glasser owes it to the CJFWF to answer. We need not list them. But we can hardly see how the Council can continue, in view of the changed circumstance, to ignore the matter.

The Move To Suburbia

REGARDLESS of whether you happen to agree with the views of Alfred Fleischman or Rabbi Philip S. Paretzky, on the trend away from congested areas of New York City to the suburbs, we would like to ask Rabbi Paretzky, who sees in the movement great damage to existing Jewish institutions in the vacated area, what can be done about it.

Mr. Fleischman, who is field secretary of the New York metropolitan section of the Jewish Welfare Board, notes numerous gains from the move to suburbia, but Rabbi Paretzky, who is Bronx director for Mizrahi Organization of America, looks upon the trend with serious misgiving.

"In sum," The Post reported Mr. Fleischman as asserting last week, "suburban Jews increasingly are attending Friday evening services, their children attend the local Hebrew school, the wives are active in the Sisterhood and the local rabbi plays an important role in communal and social life. Moreover, Jewish home and holiday observances somehow take on greater personal and communal significance."

Rabbi Paretzky, on the other hand, agrees with Mr. Fleischman that on moving to a neighborhood where Jews are less than a majority, the Jew feels the need of Jewish belongingness. But, he adds, as rapidly as the suburban Jewish neighborhoods are built up,

the force of this psychology will fade and with it the new interest in matters Jewish. This, he insists, is exactly what happened in the Bronx.

It could be that Rabbi Paretzky is correct in his prediction, although once again we ask what could he possibly do to dissuade Jews from moving to suburbia. Yet, in his eagerness to make a case for his position, we feel that he overlooks all the new factors which in recent years have begun to operate in the Jewish community, to shift the attitude of Jews to Judaism from a negative one in which they sought to escape all Jewish identification to a positive one where being a Jew is totally desirable.

The process is by no means complete. The American Jew is far from whole in his psychological outlook. But he is by no means that emaciated, lost creature, who almost bore no real resemblance to a human being, so sick was he mentally.

What is happening in New York—this move out of the city—has taken place in almost every Jewish community across the country, as Jews have moved to more affluent sections of the city. The centers and synagogues, with some lag, as is natural, have moved with the people, and except for the inevitable dislocation, no untoward results as those predicted by Rabbi Paretzky have eventuated.

How To Judge a Good Jew Today

EVERY Jewish civilization has a different criterion for determining who was and who wasn't a "good" Jew.

In the United States today, the lone remaining valid criterion seems to be the generosity in giving to others.

In the days when scholarship was the true mark of a good Jew, the basis for judgement had a lot more validity than now, when the lone standard that is trustworthy is the succor one is willing to give not only to fellow Jews, but to needy anywhere.

Whether or not one is discouraged by this state of affairs does not alter the fact that neither synagogue membership, nor membership in our various organizations, nor even work for them, has anywhere near the value of measuring the true Jewishness of a person as his benefactions.

We are not saying that the Jew who has no substance from which to give is any less a good Jew than the man who does give liberally. But what we are saying is that in this U. S. Jewish civilization, where Jewish scholarship is a rarity and piety even less common, the one criterion that is applicable to the widest segment of the community and which can be used

with some measure of accuracy to adjudge a good Jew is his liberality in giving.

This being so, then the one annual Jewish drive for funds which is almost universal in every U. S. Jewish community becomes more than just a fund-raising affair. As the lone just way in which to judge a Jew, it begins to delineate true Jewishness, and in effect establishes a kind of Jewish royalty in the U. S.

There is no word in Hebrew for charity; the Hebrew term is tzedakah (righteousness). So generosity has always been a measuring stick for Jewishness. In the days of old, this was one of many ways in which to judge a Jew—but today, it remains the last Jewish way to make the determination.

If, when our readers make their annual pledge, they keep this in mind, it may have an influence on how much they give. The persons who "hurt" themselves when they make their pledge are rare indeed. Usually, there is no question whatsoever of depriving oneself when the amount of the pledge is considered.

If the Omniscient One has given a share of worldly goods to you, then you may well show your appreciation—and your Jewishness—by how much you give.

Fianna Fail Honors Irish-Jewish Solon

DUBLIN—Members of Fianna Fail (the Government Party), including Prime Minister De Valera, paid tribute at a dinner last week to Robert "Bobbie" Briscoe, the only Jewish member of the Irish Parliament, on his 25th year as a member of the Dail.

The Dublin correspondent of The Jewish Correspondent

Chronicle of London reported that "Mr. Briscoe, who has always identified himself keenly with local Jewish affairs, told me that he had never found that his Jewishness and devotion to Jewish religious life affected his political career in any way."

"Briscoe," The Chronicle said, "is a member of the Dublin Board of Shehitah, representative of Mizrahi on the Jewish National Fund, a member of the executive of the Jewish Representative Council of Eire, and holds other Jewish organizational and civic posts."

Joel M. Bernstein, 17, Buffalo, N. Y., won the \$4,000 first prize college scholarship in the American Legion's 16th annual national oratorical contest.

THE EDITOR'S CHAIR

I WAS in Chicago last week, and on succeeding nights attended fund-raising banquets for the Joint Defense Appeal and the Combined Jewish Campaign.

Edgar Ansel Mowrer addressed the JDA banquet, which was at the Standard Club, and which raised over \$100,000 of the city's \$500,000 quota for 1953. I learned that in New York just two weeks ago, at the opening banquet of the 1953 drive, over \$850,000 was contributed, as compared with about \$500,000 for the same dinner in 1952.

THE BANQUET the following night was at the home of Max Cohen, who, with Max Marcus, operates the sensationally successful Wine Corporation of America—Mogen David to you. The dinner was addressed by Edward M. M. Warburg, which gives you an idea of how important it was.

It was. Over \$375,000 was raised, from a combination group of Zionist and Orthodox leaders. Max Bressler, a national vice president of the Zionist Organization of America, presided, and Ben Harris, another famous Chicago Zionist, helped in preparations for it.

I WANT TO TELL you of the generosity of the Cohens. In the first place, this was the fifth year in which Mrs. Cohen had been hostess to the opening fund-raising dinner in her home, a task which is no mean one when you consider that almost 100 persons attend.

The dinner this year was in honor of the Cohens and they were presented with a lovely plaque. Chicagoans know the kind of people the Cohens are, but they must have been surprised when it was announced that Mr. Cohen would give an

additional personal pledge of 10 per cent for every dollar contributed that night. Not to be outdone, Mrs. Cohen added another two per cent as her own personal gift. This was in addition to \$25,000 from the Wine Corporation of America.

MAURY ALEXANDER tells me that he will introduce at the convention next month of the Supreme Grand Lodge of B'nai B'rith a resolution calling for the establishment of a Commission on Israel with the same standing as the Anti-Defamation League Commission or the Hillel Commission.

He tells me that he has the support of the new administration, which will be selected to succeed Frank Goldman, who completes his second three-year term. I couldn't imagine that there would be any real opposition to such a resolution from any source, but I'm told that some is expected to develop on the West Coast.

I HAVE a letter from Rabbi Charles Maintinband of Hattiesburg, Miss., complaining that I did an injustice to the Kallah of Southern Rabbis, when I stated that the Texas Kallah was the only such group in the United States.

"Texans have a very high opinion of themselves and there's no need for you to encourage them," he writes.

He then goes on to tell about the five-year old Kallah of Southern Rabbis of which he is vice-president and Joseph Schechter, of New Orleans, president. My good friend Rabbi Emil Leipziger of New Orleans is honorary president of the body, along with Rabbi Mendel Silber of the same city.

I apologize to them all.

PRAISES 'POLES FROM OUTSIDE'

Polish Red Blames 'Morgenthau, Warburgs' for Nazi Slaughter

WARSAW, Poland—The "Poles from outside" and the Soviet Air Force were given laurels, while "the Jewish partners of American imperialism" were roundly denounced, at a meeting here last week to plan the commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the Warsaw ghetto uprising.

The meeting, sponsored by the League for Freedom and Independence, was attended by representatives of Polish Jewish and non-Jewish organizations.

'TO RELIEVE PRESSURE'

According to a report from here in The Jewish Chronicle of London, a Mr. Mark, director of the Jewish Historical Institute, told the meeting of "the assistance given to the Jewish fighters in the ghetto by Poles from the outside" and praised the Soviet Air Force, which, he said, "bombed Hitler's armies to relieve the pressure on the ghetto fighters."

In his talk, which was broadcast over Warsaw radio, Mark denounced "the Jewish partners of American imperialism, the Warburgs, Morgenthau, and others who deliberately frustrated the opening of a second front and in this way assisted the extermination of millions of Jews."

PEOPLES' STRUGGLE

The Chronicle cited an editorial in Die Yiddishe Folkstimme, which said that the Jewish uprising belonged to the most heroic chapters in the peoples' struggle against the Hitler regime and in the fight for freedom.

The fighters in the ghetto, the Folkstimme said, were not isolated, but were given assistance by the Peoples' Guard of the Communist Party and by "thousands of ordinary Poles who, in reply to the call for aid, risked their

lives to help the fighters in the ghetto."

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FREEDOM OF THE PRESS

Asks Post to Prove Dr. Belkin 'Erred' in Essay on U.S. Judaism

● Editor, Jewish Post:

In your editorial of April 3 . . . you show no evidence of error in Dr. Belkin's principal contention that lay bodies dictate policy to rabbis. This is apparently true especially among Conservative congregations. One need quote no less an authority than Dr. Solomon Goldman, whose evaluation of Conservative rabbis appeared in your paper of December 5, 1952. "Conservative leaders are expert at covering up the rear," you quote him as saying.

You wonder "why Dr. Belkin is so concerned with these non-Orthodox bodies or 'temples' as he calls them," which seek to imitate the church and to achieve separation from the traditional rabbinate. Simply because he is a Jew whose breadth of appreciation does not allow him to divorce these non-Orthodox groups from the body of Israel, is he concerned about them. Therefore, he must protest their actions and decry their violation of Jewish law.

And your clinching argument that "Conservative rabbis and Reform rabbis approve of mixed seating so that this is no problem of the rabbi being overruled by the laity," lacks all perspective. Did mixed seating come about because of piety and devotion of Conservative and Reform rabbis? Or did it come about because of a desire to satisfy the laity or to yield to the desires of the majority of the laity? Rabbis who approve violation of tradition do so for the reasons Dr. Belkin stated, and for one more: to "play up" to their congregants, the women folk as well as the men folk, and to those who respond to religious "notoriety." This, too, is "being ruled by laity."

You assert that "in actuality, Dr. Belkin is not being completely frank." This is untrue. His article, any unbiased reader will admit, is written with unvarnished frankness. There is no intimation that he is shielding Orthodox rabbis whose congregations tolerate mixed seating. These men, unfortunately, are victims of that which Dr. Belkin rightly attacks: the tendency of rule by laity, the desire to imitate the church and to break with tradition, which is fostered by non-Orthodox groups.

Surely, Dr. Belkin is correct when he says that these changes are done out of ignorance. The fact that the rabbi has "made every effort" to prevent violation of tradition, and "has been forced to yield," does not mean, as you illogically contend, that "there was no ignorance of Jewish tradition whatsoever." The rabbi might not be ignorant, but the congregation which insists on the change surely reflects ignorance, in both knowledge and appreciation, of that for which it stands.

Your generalizations at the end of the editorial are, indeed, disgusting. "It seems to us that much more would be achieved if problems like these were faced head on, squarely, not by indirection . . ." How, Mr. Editor? State the square way of facing the issue, other than as Dr. Belkin did.

And what kind of a prejudiced remark is, "Dr. Belkin . . . provides an excellent example of how the Orthodox can avoid an issue"? This is an unintelligent generalization.

Or, "if Dr. Belkin and Orthodox leaders like him, would face the facts of religious life in the U. S. and

in Israel" (which is not at issue in the article) "they might retrieve the situation and Orthodoxy might flourish instead of withering away." How, by what program, is this to be achieved? What facts are to be faced? Generalizations are easily made, but they mean very little.

Are you supposing that Orthodoxy alone is withering away? True, Orthodox "membership is being slowly won over in the Conservative and Reform Congregations." Otherwise their membership rolls would long have been depleted.

But why don't you face facts squarely? Members who go through the Conservative and the Reform gamut are won over by Christian Science, intermarriage and disappearance from the Jewish fold.

Can you name a youth effort in Jewish life as noble and effective as the Orthodox day school movement?

Or any young adult educational projects as diligent and basically thorough as Orthodox yeshivot?

Non-Orthodox groups have nothing in their educational systems that can compare remotely with these efforts. Those who receive a good Jewish education, under favorable circumstances, which are becoming increasingly available, seldom violate tradition maliciously. They are not of the "ignorant."

Mr. Editor, I doubt whether you will accord this letter space in your paper, for it will take more courage to receive criticism than to offer it. Yet your "editorial" ought not to remain unanswered.

RABBI SIMON A. DOLGIN

Los Angeles, Cal.

CHALLENGES VALIDITY OF RABBI HERTZ' 'GUESS' ON UNWED MOTHERHOOD

● Editor, Jewish Post

In your issue of April 3, you wrote on the Donnell-Glick report concerning Jewish unwed motherhood and quoted comments thereon by the Reform Rabbi Richard C. Hertz, recently named spiritual leader of Congregation Beth El in Detroit. His observations on Orthodox Jewish life and homes in connection with this painful subject should not go unchallenged both on the alleged facts and the conclusions reached, for I feel confident that upon more mature deliberation a responsible party like Rabbi Hertz would not have made the comments you ascribe to him . . .

We have before us two surveys; one of the Donnell-Glick report, and The Post series which found that Jewish unwed mothers in New York represent about 12 per cent of the total number of such mothers in that city. From a statistical point of view the percentage is not alarming and should not evoke any unfavorable comment in the light of the fact that the Jews form about 30% of the general population. In both surveys the "causes" ascribed are so general that neither any nor all of them can be said to be the reason for

the existence of the problem either in Jewish or non-Jewish homes. Indeed the report stressed that the condition "is the product of many interrelated factors and that no single 'cause' explains the problem." From the four factors found to be of particular importance, it could not be said whether the Jewish or any other religion has any bearing on the subject involved . . .

The rabbi "ventures" the guess" (a foundation for discussion hitherto unknown) that the 42 girls who would rather have been boys—a purely childish psychological phenomenon—come from Orthodox Jewish homes. This "assertion" might well be met with the question: Why should a conclusion on such a sore and heartbreaking subject be reached by such a method? Why did not the rabbi inquire about the facts before making such a rash statement? Has he overlooked the Orthodox injunction "Be deliberate in judgment" (Pirke Aboth 1), which requires thorough investigation before reaching a conclusion? . . .

BENJAMIN KOENIGSBERG
New York City.

Einstein Repudiates Left-wing Group

NEW YORK (WNS)—Professor Albert Einstein withdrew last week as a sponsor of a Warsaw Ghetto memorial meeting after learning the meeting was being arranged by a left-wing "United Committee," and that the meeting's sponsors and speakers included known Communists and persons listed as such by Congressional committees.

Einstein transferred his support to a memorial meeting at Hunter College arranged by the New York chapter of the American Jewish Committee, the Metropolitan Council of B'nai B'rith and the Club of Polish Jews.

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Seattle Fund To Study JDA-NCRAC Matter

● Editor, Jewish Post:

Your March 27 issue quotes Mr. Shyman, chairman of the Seattle Federated Fund budget committee, to the effect that he doesn't feel the NCRAC should be given consideration in the allocation of funds. He is also said to have stated that, although the budget committee of the Fund has not taken the matter up officially, his views reflect the consensus of opinion of the budget committee.

The facts are that a special subcommittee of the budget committee was appointed to consider the position the Fund should take in the current dispute. Mr. Shyman participated in the deliberations of that subcommittee which agreed unanimously to recommend that the Fund not intrude itself into the dispute and that the requests of both the NCRAC and the JDA for allocations be considered on their merits without regard to the dispute.

Neither the Budget Committee nor the full Board of the Fund, has considered the matter as yet;

but it is certainly incorrect to conclude that the NCRAC is in any respect foreclosed from receiving an allocation from the Seattle Fund.

BENJAMIN S. ASIA
Member of the Board of Directors,
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I THINK AS I PLEASE

Most Everything in the TIMEpiece Rings True--Half True, That Is

By CARL ALPERT

HAIFA—I am sick and tired of the deceitful, ambiguous and misleading type of propaganda about Israel appearing constantly in "Time" and "Life" magazines.

Sandwiched in between occasional neutral references has been a whole series of critical, hostile news reports, the only purpose of which appears to be to undermine Israel's standing in international affairs, and to weaken confidence in its internal situation.

This kind of malicious propaganda reaches its worst depths in the April sixth issue of "Time." The article on Israel in this particular number, entitled "Back to the Wall," can be referred to only as Communist-type news-reporting, because it gives some of the facts, distorts some, and withholds most. The purpose is to leave the reader with a hostile impression, and let truth be damned.

I submit that this kind of reporting is in the best Communist traditions, and "Time" magazine appears to have become a master at it. It would be futile to set forth all the distortions and wilful ambiguities which are crammed into the latest article, but I can best illustrate by giving you, the American reader, a sample of what this style of Communist reporting sounds like when applied to the United States. This is merely by way of illustration, to show what "Time" does to Israel, and what any dishonest editor or journalist can do if he wishes to deceive his readers.

IT'S ALL TRUE

The following facts are all taken from official U. S. Government sources, or similar reliable and

authentic sources in America. This is what an enemy of the United States might print—and still claim that every fact he listed is true:

Life in the United States today is characterized by graft, crime and violent death. Headlines of the daily papers which blazon forth the news, attest to the degree to which moral disintegration has set in. Bribery and corruption are rampant in Washington and in state governments. The former mayor of New York has taken up permanent residence in Mexico to avoid legal summons.

J. Edgar Hoover reports that about 1,800,000 major crimes are committed every year, one in every 18 seconds. New York City spends over \$100,000,000 on its police department. Youth crimes predominate, and sex crimes nationally have become commonplace. There are over 36,000 arrests for sex crimes annually, and thousands of cases which are unsolved. Since 1900 there have been about 2,000 lynchings in the United States. Losses from forged checks amount to about \$300,000,000 a year.

Despite its apparent prosperity, the U. S. is sinking deeper and deeper into an economic morass. The Public Debt of the Federal Government is over 250 billion dollars. New York City transportation system, for example, has a total indebtedness of over a billion dollars alone. When will this gigantic fabric of debt tissues collapse, bringing the nation to chaos?

'SYMPTOMS OF NATIONAL DISEASE'

In almost every field of endeavor there are similar symptoms of national disease, eating away at the very roots of the structure. There are over half a million inmates in institutions for the mentally ill, and perhaps more than that number walking the streets. 3,000,000 adults in America are illiterate in the sense that they can not read and write either English or any other language, and this includes 1.5 per cent of native born whites and 16.3 per cent of

native born negroes. An average of about a billion and a half dollars a year is squandered by the people in betting on horse races. The decay of the Roman Empire is being paralleled here.

Decency, caution, safety have been thrown to the winds. Train and airplane wrecks claim hundreds of lives annually. 40,000 or more people a year are massacred in automobile accidents. Fires alone claim 10,000 human lives annually. Labor strife and strikes attest to dangerous class unrest.

This sort of thing can be multiplied for pages and pages. All the facts are true, but this is Communist style propaganda, as defined at the outset. And this is the sort of thing which "Time" magazine has been printing about Israel consistently for some time.

'ABUSE OF FREEDOM'

Officially, I suppose, Israel can take no action. It is not proper for a foreign government to be so sensitive to the reports of the free American press. But this is an abuse of freedom. This is tampering with the integrity of American journalism. Are there not courageous spokesmen of truth and decency, Christian as well as Jew, who will stand up and condemn this sort of thing? Where are the Zionists of America, that they take this sort of thing humbly?

Whatever may be the motives of those responsible for this deliberate editorial policy, they should hear from outraged public opinion. When Communists seek to poison the wells of international affairs we are outraged; we should be even more incensed when an American periodical stoops to the same vicious tactics.

Speak up! Don't let "Time" get away with this sort of thing any longer! Let the editor of "Time" hear from you—not only on this occasion, but every time the magazine strays from the path of decency and honesty. Demand American standards from this American magazine. "Time" is due for a change!



ALPERT

BOOKS

A PRIZE-WINNING NOVEL SOMETIMES IS ONLY THE BEST ONE SUBMITTED

THE GUILT MAKERS, by David Weiss. Winner of the Frieder Literary Award for the best book in English on a Jewish theme, sponsored by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Rinehart and Co. \$3.50.

By MEYER LEVIN

IT IS my unpleasant duty to report that the much-awaited winner of the Frieder award is not much of a novel. Though interesting in theme, and though noble in intention, Weiss' book, about a concentration camp survivor who is driven crazy by Fascism on the streets of New York, never comes off. It is clumsily written and the characters have only a spotty reality, like some damaged photograph where only an eye or a finger emerges clearly from a vague mass of gray.

Actually, the novel makes the impression of a laborious first exercise, the sort usually rejected by publishers with an encouraging note to the effect that the writer shows promise, and will be please keep them in mind when he does his second or third book. And I would even make a wild guess that Mr. Weiss injected his survivor-theme into a first novel that he had already written or conceived.

FOR THE BASIC story, here, is the typical first-novel story about a would-be writer. The character is a young American

soldier, David Hutchinson, who meets the survivor at the liberation of Buchenwald, and later, in New York, becomes involved in Saul's fate. The book is more about David Hutchinson than about Saul.

Weiss makes a very strained attempt to show Hutchinson's involvement with the refugee as a plot-barrier to his own romance. Poor Hutchinson is always having to break his dates with his girl, Kay, because Saul gets into trouble on those very nights. So it becomes a "me or your refugee" situation.

I HAD THE impression that the writer—and—mistress tale had already been written, and that Mr. Weiss might have got the bright idea of salvaging it and submitting it for the Frieder prize by injecting the tale of Saul.

The very first meeting, in Buchenwald, does not ring true, nor does a later look at Saul's home in Prague. Unfortunately for me and for Mr. Weiss, I happen to have been in both places at the time in which he ascribes them, and his reconstruction seems forced and even careless of detail.

FOR ONE THING, the description of the arrest of Saul's parents, in 1940, hardly conforms to the pattern of the Nazi campaign of eliminating the Jews, which did not get underway in Prague until much later.

There are other peculiarly ir-

ritating details. Saul, upon his arrival in America, is told by his uncle to take a bath. He sits in the tub, not knowing that he is supposed to turn on the faucets! Yet, Saul's father is pictured as having owned his own house in Prague. Perhaps Mr. Weiss is unaware that Prague is a modern city, with bathtubs.

This sounds like quibbling. But the book has no great wave of power to carry one over such irritations, which are constant.

IN NEW YORK, Saul lives with his uncle, who is a wholesale butcher, well-meaning, but uncomprehending of Saul's emotional needs. So Hutchinson tries to help Saul toward adjustment, through a settlement house where, instead, Saul gets hazed by anti-Semites. To cure this, the head of the settlement house subjects Saul to his own amateur administrations of hypnotic therapy in a psychoanalytic vein!

Finally, Saul goes out and kills a neo-Nazi street orator, and ends up in a state penitentiary.

It is too bad that nothing of higher literary quality could be found for this award, since American Jewish writing is certainly in need of practical encouragement. I can make a few guesses as to why nothing of greater consequence was found—assuming, as I think we must, that the judges selected the best book submitted.

FOR ONE THING, such a contest is not designed to attract writers of proven ability. The time element alone is discouraging. Entry into the contest means typing up a manuscript for more than a year. A professional writer who has what he thinks is a good novel, would be reluctant to do so. This prize amounted to \$5,000, but, as I recall, the conditions were not spectacularly generous. Part of this money was actually an advance on royalties, which any publishing house would offer for a meritorious novel.

With only a remote chance of gaining a few thousand dollars, a writer would rather gamble on straight publication in the general market, leaving him in sole so as to attract better material.

MUSIC

'WHEN PLAIN, HONEST SINGING WAS THE ORDER IN EVERY HOUSEHOLD'

By JOSEPH GALE

THE Workmen's Circle, we have reason to know, takes pride in its music and the inculcation of young people into the rewards of musical activity. Its choral groups have, at least in the last couple of decades, been the Circle's mainstay and joy, and in a purely immigral aspect, well they might.

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MICHL GELBART, who has been music director for Workmen's Circle schools throughout the country, is the impresario behind "Children Sing!," a four-record album issued by Metro Music Company, of New York, prior to the time we conducted this column.

Under Gelbart's punctilious direction, nine young ladies and a chorus of children, all presumably the products of Circle schools, sing eleven Yiddish folk songs noteworthy for their "hartzkeit" and abandon.

Owning more than a passing friendship with the Workmen's Circle, we are in a position to point out that Gelbart's accomplishment, duplicated by lesser

possession of all his rights.

As I understand that the Frieder Award may be repeated, I would suggest that the conditions be altered in the future, leaving him in sole so as to attract better material.

Circle directors elsewhere, represents a gratifying triumph of tutelage over the spirited propensities of youth.

IF SUBLTLY or interpretation are nowhere to be found in "Children Sing!," there is certainly an abundance of good training in unison and elementary part-singing, and a natural exuberance transferred whole from the hearts of the children to the format of these healthy pieces.

Just as heartily, and with a song on our lips, are we able to suggest this Metro album to those of you who remember the days when plain, honest singing was the order in every household.

SOME time ago we told you about Folkraft Records of Newark, New Jersey, producer of records intended for dancing. Folkraft now releases "Jewish Wedding Dances," a three-record 78 RPM album of seven numbers available also on single discs. The music is by Bennie Fairbanks and his band. There are a Hava Nagilla, Bulgar, Kazatski, Mazel Tov Freilach, Baroiges Tanz, Patch Tanz and Dayeinu.

As before, tempos are convenient and exact, the arrangements uncomplicated. The dances dance very well, and except that record space does not permit the interminable codas of wedding performance, they might be employed in festivities. Their best use, of course, is for instruction. We threw our lumbering frame into a couple of the gay roundelays and found ourself not as second best as we had thought.

El Al Israel Airlines has signed an agreement with KLM, a Netherlands airline, giving it the right to land, accept and discharge passengers at Dutch airfields.

A leading Jewish novelist, turning his talents to reviewing books of Jewish interest, that's Meyer Levin's scintillating column on books each week in The National Jewish Post.



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TRADITION KEYNOTES UAHHC MEET

Group Sifts 'Mistakes' Of Classical Reform

NEW YORK (JP)—Strong criticism of "the mistakes" of classical Reform, in terms traditionally heard at Orthodox gatherings, marked an unexpectedly placid session on Jewish education in American Reform at the 42nd General Assembly this week of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

At the same time, a sharp blast at the anti-Zionist American Council for Judaism was issued by Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein of Rochester, N.Y., former president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis who served as summarizer for a panel on the achievements and objectives of the Commission on Jewish Education of the UAHHC, which marked its 30th anniversary Monday night.

PARTICIPANTS LISTED

Participants in the panel were Rabbi Barnett Brickner of Cleveland, Mortimer May of Nashville, a leader of the Zionist Organization of America, and Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, director of the commission.

All the panelists denounced the limitations of the Sunday school as a medium for teaching Jewish children how to "live in two civilizations."

The criticisms were offered in a frank acknowledgement of "the mistakes" of classical Reform, which pioneered the Sunday school system of Jewish education.

In one of the strongest pro-tradition statements ever made at a Reform gathering, Dr. Gamoran said that "classical Reform detached God from Israel, thinking that it could achieve a greater measure of sanctity by concentrating on the idea of God."

"The concept of Israel meant peoplehood, but by detaching the God idea, some of the classical Reformers thought they could achieve greater spirituality," Dr. Gamoran said.

Summing up the results, he declared that "the opposite was the result. No one who knows the classical Reform movement from within and who approaches the subject objectively would contend that it resulted in achieving a greater spirituality."

'TORAH FORGOTTEN'

The Reform educator asserted that "when Israel and God were one, they had the Torah between them. When Israel was detached from the God idea, much of the Torah was also forgotten."

"Instead of achieving greater spirituality," he asserted, we have only succeeded in breaking the magic formula which throughout the centuries served effectively to maintain the Jewish people as well as Judaism."

Rabbi Bernstein opened his summary by saying that he had been instructed in advance that there would probably be sharp differences in discussion during the panel session over issues in Reform Jewish education.

He said he was both surprised and pleased at the general agreement on the needs expressed by all panelists for a more intensive Jewish education and stress on



DR. GAMORAN
'Israel, Torah and God'



RABBI BERNSTEIN
'A Lover's Quarrel'

Jewish peoplehood and Hebrew.

Urging the establishment of the "closest spiritual ties with Israel," Rabbi Bernstein extended American Reform Jewry's greetings to Israel on her fifth anniversary and declared that there must be a closer relationship between American Reform Jews and the State of Israel.

He asserted that "anti-Zionism has ceased to be a force of any consequence among Reform Jews," and denounced those "isolated raucous voices" within the Reform movement who continue to express opposition to Israel.

'NO CONFLICT'

"Of course there is no conflict of loyalties," he told some 3,000 delegates. "But to Israel, its people, its institutions, its hopes, we are bound with a myriad of indissoluble ties. They need us; we need them. A catastrophe there would be tragedy for us. If we hurt, they will suffer too."

He declared, without naming for Judaism that there is lacking in Council members "the sense of identification with the Jewish fate, of love of their own people. Differences there are and they should be expressed in our movement but between those who have in common an unbreakable sense of kinship and an unquenchable love for Israel. A lover's quarrel is in order not the betrayal of every Jewish instinct."

REFORM POLL SHOWS WIDE PRACTICE OF JEWISH RITUAL AMONG MEMBERS

By BEN GALLOB

Jewish Post Correspondent

NEW YORK (JP)—The return to traditional practices in American Reform congregations is solidly backed by a widespread and consistent adherence to Jewish customs in American Reform homes, according to the findings of a nation-wide survey disclosed at the 42nd General Assembly of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

The poll was reported to some 3,000 delegates by S. Herbert Kaufman of Harrisburg, Pa., past president of the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods, which made the survey, and chairman of the Federation survey committee.

The survey was undertaken in cooperation with the UAHHC Committee on Reform Practices, headed by Rabbi Morton M. Berman of Chicago, to help determine whether there should be a code or guide of Reform practices for American Reform.

FOLLOWS UP 1950 POLL

The survey was designed as a follow-up to a 1950 poll of Reform rabbis and congregations, the results of which were reported to the UAHHC biennial in Cleveland.

For the poll of home attitudes and practices, 10,000 laymen, or about eight percent of the Reform constituency, from 455 congregations, were chosen at random for a mail questionnaire. A total of 1,418 of the questionnaires were filled out and returned.

GOOD RETURN

Harold W. Dubinsky, NFTB president, said that this return of 14 percent was considered technically a very good one, particularly in view of the fact that 171 questions were asked in the form.

A total of 31 percent of Reform Jews attend services weekly. The percentage attending occasionally is 26 percent and those attending only on the High Holy Days was 12 percent.

American Reform Jews want religious education for their children by a ratio of 100 to one.

How much religious education do Reform Jews want for their children? The survey found that 66 percent want one day a week, 22 percent two days a week, eight percent three days and four percent four days.

75% WANT HEBREW

Almost 75 percent want their children to be taught Hebrew. Four out of seven want one day of Hebrew education a week, two out of seven want two days a week and one out of seven want more.

On the question of whether there should be a code or a guide of Reform practices, nearly three times as many Reform Jews

54 Pct. Oppose Yule Trees

NEW YORK (JP)—American Reform home return to traditional Judaism has failed to include elimination of displays of Christmas trees.

The Union of American Hebrew Congregation poll listed 21 per cent of Reform Jews as having Yule trees at Christmas. Only 54 per cent were opposed to this practice.

wanted a guide. No figures were released as to how many respondents wanted neither.

The bar mitzvah rite seems to be more in demand as a congregational form than in the wishes of parents. The survey reported that the bar mitzvah is observed in 86 percent of Reform synagogues, compared with 90 percent in the 1950 report, but is endorsed by only 77 percent in the second poll.

The number of Reform congregations using the bat mitzvah rite has increased from 25 percent in 1950 to 34 percent this year. Even that increase lags behind lay support for the new rite, which is endorsed by 41 percent of Reform Jews.

CONFIRMATION

More than half of the Reform congregations confirm their children at the age of 15 or older. Sixty-two percent of the congregations conduct their confirmation services on Shavvot.

The survey showed that 56 percent of American Reform Jews prefer that marriages be held in the synagogue, as against 29 percent in the home and 15 percent in public places.

Eighty-four percent of Reform Jews would sanction inter-marriage if the Gentile partner is converted.

Eighty-seven percent said they derived inspiration from the Union Prayerbook. Forty-five percent now have a cantor in their synagogue and 64 percent

would like to have a cantor. Eighty-four percent of the congregations light candles at the Friday evening services and an even greater percentage—90 percent—want this practice.

HALF FAST YOM KIPPUR

Nearly six out of ten Reform Jews say a blessing over the candles in their home on Sabbath eve. Slightly more than half of Reform Jews fast on Yom Kippur. Seventy-four percent have a Seder in their home on Passover eve.

Eight of ten Reform Jews light Hanukkah lights in their homes. Almost half have mezzuzot on the doors of their homes. Nearly all Reform Jews want the rabbi to visit their homes on occasions of sorrow or joy.

RESULTS 'AMAZING'

The first poll revealed a degree of practice in Reform congregations which observers termed amazing. The poll showed that observances included dietary laws, wearing of skullcaps and two-day observance of all the major Jewish festivals.

With more than half of American Reform congregations reporting to the first survey, it was disclosed that 90 percent of the reporting congregations conduct bar mitzvah rites, and 25 percent bat mitzvah services; some 40 percent of congregations permit the bar mitzvah to wear tallit and one-third permit him to wear the yarmulke.

MARRIAGE RITES

Eighty percent of the Reform rabbis were reported as permitting use of the traditional wedding canopy and the same number reported they would wear a hat on such occasions, if asked. An even larger number reported permission to the wedding party to wear hats and 80 percent permit the breaking of a plate at the ceremony.

Only 25 percent of the Reform rabbis would perform an unconditional mixed marriage. One-third said they would conduct the service if the non-Jew promised to raise the children as Jews. Twenty percent of the Reform rabbis wear skullcaps and two out of five wear the tallit.

SABBATH SERVICES

The main service in American Reform has become the Friday night service, with Sunday services reported declining rapidly, only seven congregations in 1950 holding them. Ninety percent of the congregations again were using the ram's horn on Rosh Hashanah.

One-half of the congregations reported their members used a mohel (ritual circumciser) although the general practice is still (90 percent) to use a surgeon with a rabbi. (JP, Nov. 17, 1950.)

Ten Pct. of Reform Jews Approve All-day Schools

NEW YORK (JP)—The united front in American Reform opposition to the Jewish day school appears to have been broken at the lay level.

Almost 10 per cent of Reform Jews queried in the Union of American Hebrew Congregations poll of lay opinion favored such all-day schools.

The exact figure given was one in 11. If these Reform Jews are sending their children to such schools, it is under Conservative or Orthodox auspices. There are no Jewish day schools under Reform sponsorship.

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Los Angeles Community Council Takes Over Kashrut Supervision

LOS ANGELES (JP)—Following disclosures last week of a Federal investigation into the kosher meat situation in the Los Angeles area, the Los Angeles Jewish Community Council acted to establish a Committee on the Administration of Kashrut.

At the same time, all supervisory functions of kashrut were being removed from the Kosher Butchers Association of Los Angeles and placed in the hands of a community interim subcommittee to take immediate action.

The interim group consists of two leading attorneys of the Southland and three leading rabbis.

BUTCHERS AGREE

The Butchers Association, protesting through its attorney, David Lyons, that it was violating no anti-trust laws with regard to kosher meat, readily agreed to turn over kashrut matters to the new body.

Lyons denied one current report that, if the Butchers Association did not clean house at once, indictments might follow, but he admitted the Association was acting swiftly in the interest of eliminating any possible misunderstanding.

'NOTHING TO SURRENDER'

"The Association has never been in charge of kashrut," said Lyons. "Therefore, there is nothing to surrender. We have no objections to the supervision of kashrut by any proper democratic body."

The attorney was asked to

comment on the fact that Rabbi Samuel Rubin has been employed by the Butchers Association as a kashrut inspector and that the rabbi, upon his resignation, had charged to the anti-trust division of the Department of Justice that "nobody in Los Angeles can know what is kosher meat..." (JP, April 10, 1953)

'NOT UNDER OUR ORDERS'

"Rabbi Rubin had been paid by the Kosher Butchers Association of Los Angeles," replied Lyons, "but he was under the jurisdiction and orders of the rabbinic and not under our orders."

"We have had conferences with the Justice Department for the past five years. The Government wanted to see that there was no restraint of shipment of meats interstate. The Government is not interested in kashrut as such, merely in anti-trust phases."

'CONTROLLED BY FAKERS'

Rabbi Rubin, said Lyons, had been paid by the Association as a kashrut inspector for seven

years until his resignation Jan. 27, 1953. At that time, Rabbi Rubin charged to Federal investigators that "kashrut in Los Angeles is appalling and controlled by fakers."

Lyons traced kashrut difficulties in this area before the Association was formed 16 years ago.

"Trouble in this area has been intense jealousy between rabbis," said Lyons. "The butchers stepped in to solve this dilemma."

Association leaders were to meet with the interim committee Monday evening to work out a solution pointing to community administration of kashrut, Lyons said, adding that a friendly meeting was anticipated.

'A LOT OF RUMORS'

As to the charges that non-kosher meat may have been sold as kosher meat, the attorney declared:

"We have heard a lot of rumors, but nobody has been able to establish that kashrut has not been observed in this town."

Through all the activity following the disclosure of the investigation, the Community Council's community relations committee acted to salvage the kashrut situation and to place it in the hands of those beyond the charge of personal involvement.

The interim committee was created by the community relations committee and includes Rabbis Isaiah Rackovsky, Aaron Wise and Osher Zilberstein, and attorneys Herman Bachrack and Walter Hilborn. The latter is president of the welfare council of the Community Chest here.

The Community Council's board on April 14 authorized the appointment of a permanent committee to handle all questions of kashrut, taking over in turn from the interim committee. The permanent body would administer non-rabbinical aspects of the kosher meat situation, leaving kashrut entirely in the hands of a rabbinical committee responsible to the community as a whole.

Bachrack, interim committee chairman appointed by Judge Isaac Pacht, said his group expected to take over all kashrut jurisdiction in the Los Angeles area by the end of this week.

Less Than Half of HUC-JIR 1953 Fund Goal Reached

NEW YORK (JP)—A check for \$1,000,000 was presented at the opening session of the 42nd General Assembly of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations by Dr. Samuel S. Hollander of Chicago, representing contributions to date in the American Reform movement's Combined Campaign for \$2,265,000 this year.

The campaign, which finances the work of the UAHC and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, the American Reform seminary, ends June 30. Dr. Hollander is campaign chairman.

A UAHC spokesman, asked about the fact that, with three-fourths of the campaign year over, less than half of the goal has been reached, explained that the campaign usually had its best months in April, May and June. He predicted the goal would be reached.

The million dollars will be split equally between the two Reform institutions.

OPTIMISTIC ON FUTURE OF U.S. JEWRY

Neglect, Not Assimilation Is Danger—Rabbi Silver

NEW YORK (JP)—Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, in a forthright declaration of confidence in the future of American Jewry, declared this week that, while Jewry was in no danger from deliberate assimilationism, a threat did exist in a "to facile adaptability, an unconscious drift and a carefree relaxation of all disciplines."

The world-famous Zionist and Reform leader gave the principal speech, which was nationally broadcast, at a session of the 42nd General Assembly of the

world war.

He declared that the American Jews of the coming decades "will make the numerically largest Jewish community in the world also one of the greatest in terms of faith, culture and scholarship."

CITES DANGERS

"What may endanger our Jewish future here is not conscious escapism or deliberate assimilationist tendencies such as characterized Jewish communities elsewhere and at other times," he said.

"Rather, a too facile adaptability, an unconscious drift and a carefree relaxation of all disciplines—not out of conviction but out of sheer indifference," he added, "was the danger."

Rabbi Silver dealt a sharp blow at some aspects of the current cold war strategy with the assertion that paying lip service to religion is "now very fashionable and patriotic and highly endorsed politically in democratic countries as part of the overall strategy" in the struggle with Soviet Russia. He added that "religion is not political strategy."

'NO ANCHORAGE'

"What we should fear most," he warned, "is the rise of a generation of prosperous Jews who have no spiritual anchorage, or the growth of a generation of clever, restless Jews of quick ferment and high voltage, rooted in no religious tradition, reverent to no moral code, ignorant of all Jewish learning and held to social responsibility by no inner spiritual restraint."

The world Zionist leader dealt only briefly with Israel but he did predict that Israel, "given peace," would be come the second largest Jewish center in the world "and its most important cultural center."

"Greatness will come from it—cultural, spiritual, scientific—as greatness came from that little land before," he predicted.

He foresaw as emerging from a stable and secure Israel "things of beauty, truth and insight, rare and precious, which will again astound the world."

Touching briefly on the relationships between American and Israeli Jewry, Rabbi Silver said the people of Israel "will have need of Judaism and of its religious disciplines as much as we. Nationalism is no substitute for religion whether for the people of Israel, or the United States, or any other people."



RABBI SILVER

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Asserting that only the "catastrophe of war" was likely to prevent the fourth century from being "a great age for American Jewry," Rabbi Silver predicted that the American Jewish community would make "worthy contributions to the total life of America" in the next 100 years.

Rabbi Silver hedged his optimistic prediction, one of the most positive and farthest-reaching prophecies he has ever made about American Jewry, with some substantial qualifications, in addition to the reservation about the impact of a third

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Muncie IJCRC Conference Plans Discussion of Immigration Laws

MUNCIE—The Indiana Jewish Community Relations Council will review the McCarran-Walter Immigration act and the status of efforts, on the national, state, and local scale, to repeal it at its Biennial conference here Saturday, May 16, and Sunday, May 17.

Martin D. Schwartz, IJCRC president, has announced that principal speakers at the conference will be Rabbi Carl Miller, of Temple Israel, Gary, and Leonard Goldstein, nominee for vice-president of the Fort Wayne Jewish Welfare Federation.

The discussions at the meeting will deal with the significantly discriminatory features of the immigration law and efforts to secure its repeal. Emphasis will be placed on securing support for repeal on the local level.

Schwartz charged that efforts to secure repeal of the law are being harassed by those charging

or implying that repeal moves are inspired by Communist elements.

"Those who believe in justice as the objective of all governments must avoid being intimidated on this and other issues we shall consider at our Muncie Biennial conference," observed Schwartz.

Reservations for the conference may be made through Louis B. Greenberg, IJCRC executive secretary, by calling LI-3381.

JEA Auxiliary Meets To Vote on Amendment

The JEA auxiliary will start its regular meeting with a dessert luncheon at 1:15 p. m., Monday, Apr. 27, in the JEA building.

A short business meeting will include voting on an amendment to the constitution.

The feature of the afternoon will be a class demonstration by the kindergarten children. They'll be directed by Dr. Rosalie Cohen, JEA kindergarten director.

Mrs. Epstein will give the opening prayer. Mrs. Irving Goldman will give the closing prayer.

Mrs. Ben Paller, JEA auxiliary president, has issued an invitation to all JEA members and friends.

Good humor is one of the best articles of dress one can wear in society.

Rabbi Irving Miller, ZOA Leader Speaks at Fort Wayne Convention

FORT WAYNE—Rabbi Irving Miller, president of the Zionist Organization of America, will address the Ohio Valley Zionist Region convention here Sunday, Apr. 26.

Representatives of all major cities in the states of Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio, and West Virginia will attend.

Rabbi Miller will give a first-hand report on Zionist action against Soviet and Arab threats to the security of Israel. He will also report on his own negotiations with Israeli and American authorities in the economic and political field.

Leon Ilutovich, ZOA assistant executive director, and Mendel N. Fisher, executive director of the Jewish National Fund will also address the convention delegates.

Abe Miller and Scholem Ettlinger of Indianapolis, Louis Piser of South Bend, and A. J. Liff of Dayton, O., will report on regional

activities. Cantor Myro Glass of Indianapolis, accompanied by Mrs. Jacob Schwartz, will sing.

Convention chairman is Rabbi Seymour Weiler of Fort Wayne.

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Beth El Men's Club Presents Double-Barreled Program

Marie Syrkin, author and lecturer, and a musical cantata, will be featured in a double-barreled program by the Beth El Zedeck Men's club at 8:30 p.m., Wednesday, Apr. 29, at the congregation.

Miss Syrkin, a lecturer at Brandeis university, will speak on "America and Israel." She gained fame in Jewish literary circles with her book, "Blessed Is the Match," and other works. She taught in the New York city high school system for more than 20 years. She is the author of a book on school problems.

DEPICTS 'OLD COUNTRY'

"The Seven Golden Buttons" cantata, a story in music, by Ira and Judith Eisenstein, depicting Hassidic life in the "old country," is the second feature of the program.

The cast of the cantata includes Mesdames Sidney Shane, Julius Brown, Robert Schwab, Sam Goldstein, Irving Joffe, Bernard Cooper, Max Cohen, Stanley Levinson, Leo Miroff, Meyer Sattinsky, Al Morris, Abraham Lorber, Abram Deutsch, Perry Goldstein, Walter Goldman, Erwin Permer, Clarence Budd, Robert Congress, Richard Congress, and Miss Mary Lou Goldstein.

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The cantata will be directed and staged by Mrs. Stanley Levinson. Walter Goldman will be musical director. Stage assistants include Mrs. Abe Goldstein and Mrs. Harry Brodey.

No admission will be charged at the program set for Monday night.

Mizrachi Women Set Board Meet Apr. 28

Mizrachi Women will hold a board meeting at 8 p.m., Tuesday, Apr. 28, at the home of Mrs. Eli Ettinger.

Plans for the season's closing affair will be discussed at the meeting.

Gov. Craig Presents Tribute to Israel

A floral tribute from Indiana's Gov. George N. Craig has made its way to Israel for presentation to Mrs. David Ben-Gurion, wife of the republic's prime minister.

The bouquet paying tribute to Israel on her fifth anniversary was presented by Gov. Craig to Hadassah leaders here last week. Mrs. Max Klezmer, president of Hadassah's local chapter, and Mrs. J. A. Goodman, a member of the Hadassah National board, accepted the tribute from the governor.

The flowers were air-expressed to New York, where, combined with similar bouquets from 47 other states, they were presented to Mrs. Abba Eban, wife of Israel's ambassador to the United States. Mrs. Eban forwarded them by plane to Israel and Mrs. Ben-Gurion.

Unveil Kestembaum Memorial
The unveiling of a memorial to Mrs. Morris Kestembaum will be held at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, Apr. 26, at Ohev Zedeck cemetery.

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